Administrative Briefing – Primary Care

(Modify to fit your setting)

Who should attend the administrative briefing? Do you know their names?

Nurse manager, staff nurses, attending physicians, resident physicians, NP/PAs, clinic clerk(s), key allied health professionals (pharmacy, social work, behavioral health, dietetics, etc.), others?

Where will the briefing occur? Choose the same place to meet on a consistent basis.

When will you hold the briefing? Choose same time of day (and same day if weekly).

<u>How</u> will you get key members there? Establish a time/day when most key individuals can attend.

Any anticipated or current ISSUES with:

- o Bed availability, transfers
- o *Patients:* Review patient schedule: 1) expected or unresolved care needs, 2) past issues or problems with specific patients, 3) pending consultations, procedures, 4) spiritual, family, social issues, 5) advance directives, etc.
- o *Managing Backlogs:* Are there any openings on provider schedules; any cancellations yesterday?
- o *Staffing Issues:* Staff sick calls; staff fatigue requiring "smart staffing" assignments; new staff orienting; scheduled procedures with staffing implications; interpersonal conflict between staff (e.g. nurse with physician); staff appointments requiring backup coverage
- o *Equipment:* Training with new equipment; problems with existing equipment; biomedical engineering consultation; IS issues/changes; technical reminders (i.e. plug EKG machine in)
- o *Contingencies:* Temporary equipment replacement during repairs; supply inventory; unit dosed medications / supplies
- o *Actions:* What needs to be done to address the issues raised? Who will do it? When? Involve Chief of Staff? Director of Nursing? Facility Director?

Was the safety of patient care delivered in this clinic improved by this Administrative Briefing? If so, identify how this will occur.